

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 1 of the specification as shown in Appendix A submitted herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated in Appendix B submitted herewith according to the revision to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 concerning a manner for making claim amendments.

REMARKS

Subsequent to the enclosed preliminary amendment, claims 1-12 are canceled without disclaimer or prejudice as to the subject matter contained therein and new claims 13 and 14 are added.

Independent claim 13 recites a method of preparing a quaternary ammonium salt having a triazine content of less than 1% by weight. Support can be found in the specification at page 4, lines 17 and 26-30; page 14, line 31 to page 15, line 1; page 20, line 25 to page 21, line 2; page 21, lines 6-22; and page 55, lines 25-33.

Dependent claim 14 recites preservation embodiments of the quaternary ammonium salts. Support can be found in the limitations

(b) and (c) of claim 1 as originally filed.

No new matter within the meaning of § 132 has been included by any of the amendments.

The specification has been amended at page 1 before the first paragraph to make reference to Applicant's parent application and to prior related applications.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the amendments and to allow all claims as presently pending.

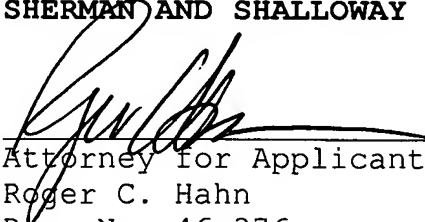
CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the pending claims and allow the pending claims. Favorable action with an early allowance of the claims pending is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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